

THE SOUTHERNER.

THURSDAY, NOV. 7, 1887.

LOCAL AND STATE.

Agent at Wilmington.—Sheriff W. T. Cawson, is our agent at Wilmington, and receives and pays for all subscriptions.

Traveling Agent.—T. B. GILLIAM, is our authorized Traveling Agent, who will receive and pay for all subscriptions, advertising, &c.

To the Patrons of the Southerner.—Nearly a year ago we assumed charge of the Southerner, and it has been our constant aim to render it in every way worthy of our State and Country.

During this time we have endeavored to carry on the paper in the best manner possible, without too frequently calling upon our readers for support, but at the near close of the year, we have to depart from this rule and hope that all indebted to us for subscriptions, advertisements or otherwise, will feel the justice of this appeal and settle as promptly as possible.

Mr. T. B. GILLIAM call upon those indebted to us east of the Rail Road, and we trust they are prepared to meet such indebtedness, and settle with him for the same.

He is authorized by us to receive and receipt for all subscriptions, &c.

We would also remind our numerous subscribers in other Counties that such subscription is fully due, and that it would confer a great benefit on the paper, to remit the amount immediately. It can be done by mail at our own risk.

DEER TIMES.—At this season of the year, it is generally expected that money will be more plentiful and business of every kind more brisk and stirring; that the proceeds of crops are coming in, and consequently a better chance for producers of every description to cheer the heart of our merchants and business men with the sight of that commodity, wherever the eyes of mankind are made glad.

For many reasons, too numerous and apparent to need an explanation, a far different sight is witnessed in this place, and in all the Tarboro' to-day compare with the most unhealthy and inactive portion of the year.

On every hand can be heard the universal complaint of want of money, that great lever that moves the world; while, were it not so important, it would be most tedious to witness the woe-begone and suppliant countenances of many of our merchants and clerks, as sitting upon the goods, boxes and steps of their stores, they anxiously scan each approaching peddler, in hopes of a passing customer, from whom they may raise a little needful.

Cotton, that mainstay of the country, which for so many years has been the wheels of business nicely oiled, will this year, we fear, aid us but little in the struggle for existence, and though considerable quantities may be sold, the heavy expenses, ruinous taxes, and low prices makes and have in the returns, and but a small amount will find its way back into the pockets of our planters, to be then distributed throughout the community generally. Altogether, it is a most dreary prospect ahead, and the experiences of this fall will no doubt be better acquainted with the familiar song of "Hard Times."

A No. 1 EATING HORSE.—Within the last few weeks several of these indispensable requisites to the comfort of a town has been established in Tarboro' and among others, we take pleasure in particularly noticing that of *Wm. M. Butler*, a most respectable and polite colored man, who has established himself in the house attached to the old Gregory Hotel, where he is prepared at all times to satisfy even the most fastidious taste in the preparation of all the delicacies of the season, including Oysters, cooked in any manner, Partridges, Beef Steaks &c., &c., &c.

Having made arrangements to obtain these luxuries every day, fresh from other markets, he is prepared to take a limited number of boarders, and if cleanliness, good cooking and polite attention constitute any of the requisites necessary for one's comfort while enjoying a meal, the patrons of Butler may rest assured that they will obtain them all. Oysters &c. can be obtained at all times of the day and night.

On Saturday last, in company with several other gentlemen, we called upon Mr. Butler, and in the presence of the proprietor, we tasted the powers of the proprietor, and must confess that we have rarely seen a public table better provided with all the good things of this life, judging from the operations of the other aforesaid guests, we must conclude that they cordially join in our opinion that the best of everything can be found at Butler's.

We speak from the book ourselves; let others try the same experiment.

POLITICS IN MARTIN.—We hear that negro politics is exciting considerable interest in Martin. Sometime since a Republican convention was held in Williams, composed entirely of negroes, one white exception.

By them Col. S. W. (Rainbow Banks) Watts was nominated.

His negro competitor, Bennett Burgess, not satisfied with the result, appealed from the decision, and on last Saturday another convention was held.

Where is Dr. Jesse Wiley Smith? Does he tamely submit to be wheeled off the track?

We should be glad to see the Conservative whites taking some steps towards getting a good candidate. With the divisions among their enemies, and the land some united action is necessary. Every consideration urges to action.

By the way, a report has reached us that the military probably were somewhat suspicious of "Rainbow Banks" ability to truly take the "Iron Clad," and intend arresting the achievements of the warlike Clad, during war times. How now!

SLOWLY AT WORK.—Since the great freshet in June last, the citizens of town and county have been deprived of the means of transit over the bridge across Hendricks Creek, near town, and have consequently been compelled to seek a circuitous route lower down, which is not infrequently rendered impossible, by means of any freshet in creek or river.

This has of course produced much difficulty and trouble, and we are glad to see that it will be remedied. A good force of hands, including those undergoing punishment for violations of the law, are now engaged on the structure, and we presume will have it finished sometime during the present month.

STEAMER "COTTON PLANT."—In a few weeks we may expect to see the waters of the old Tar rippled by the prow of this indispensable winter visitor to our wharves. Richard Byrum, Esq., of Pitt County, has purchased her, and will spare no pains to put her in proper trim to meet the enlarged business on the River. The steamer has been thoroughly overhauled, and the superior to that of the last season. Captain, Richard Byrum, Esq., of Pitt County, and his presence alone will ensure a prompt and efficient performance of the duties incident to his position.

RESIDENCES FOR POOR MEN.—The following timely remarks of the *Carolinian* to the property holders of Wilson will apply equally well to those of Tarboro' and we publish them in conformity with an intention to do every thing in our power to lessen the present high rent and offer inducements for immigration in the midst.

"It has been demonstrated at Chicago that a comfortable home for a poor man can be built for \$350.

The above will sound incredible to the extortioners of Wilson who demand as much annual rent as the entire cost of a comfortable home in Chicago. Houses inferior in every respect to the class of houses fitted up in Chicago for poor men, and at here for four hundred dollars and upwards.

In the face of such facts, what do the Southern people promise themselves, to do to encourage the most precious to drive away from us the "drift of industry," without having the folly of this "penury wisdom" peculiar to many our people, to encourage the "drift of industry" of the country desire to see the tide of immigration extend itself this way, but it will never come under the present state of our "domestic economy." What inducements do we offer a mechanic or laboring man to come to Wilson. Wages are higher in the West than here, because that country is in a state of prosperity, while the cost of food is much less than in the Atlantic States.

We propose to get mechanics from the States North of us to settle with their families permanently among us, and for an ordinary home to live in, we will very considerably charge them between three and four hundred dollars a year, while in the growing and prosperous cities and towns of the mighty West they purchase for a lifetime a superior home, and with many instances, less money.

The advantages all against us, and we will remain with the best inducements we can offer, and we warn property holders, in time against the danger of their fishness, lest in a few years they find their investments "dead capital."

A brighter day of prosperity must speedily dawn for the South, to justify the present prices for real estate."

KABER BROS. & CO.—In another column will be found a recent card of this enterprising and well known firm, to which we call special attention of all producers and shippers throughout the country.

A firm and stable position, during the monetary revolutions of sixteen years, have established this house securely in the confidence of Eastern Carolina, while the capacity and promptness now being exercised in the transaction of their extensive business, must still further entitle them to the patronage of our farmers and planters.

The late Mr. James M. Hancock of Wilson have been secured as travelling Agents, who will furnish any information and supplying commodities of many of our merchants and clerks, as sitting upon the goods, boxes and steps of their stores, they anxiously scan each approaching peddler, in hopes of a passing customer, from whom they may raise a little needful.

RECOVERED.—In our last issue, we noticed the loss of the U. S. Mail from the stage while attempting to cross Hendricks Creek. On yesterday, the freshest having subsided, search was made and one of the bags (the through mail) was discovered about 200 yards below the crossing, but in a most awfully woe-begone and shattered condition.

A large portion of the letters were almost entirely destroyed, having remained so long in the water as to produce almost total decay. We understand from the Postmaster that one registered package was found, containing a quantity of money and a draft from Hessel & Smith, in favor of F. B. Satterthwaite, for \$200. These were latterly preserved.

The way mail has not yet been recovered.

SOUTHERN NECK ADDRESS.—The New Town of Scotland Neck has determined to commemorate its birth, by a Tournament, Sack Race and Ball, on Thursday the 14th inst. The exercises will commence on Monday the 14th and continue three days, and all food of pay and all other money raised by the tournament, will be used for the benefit of the poor of the community.

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GOVERNOR WORTH'S 25th inst.—As Thanksgiving Day.

COMMERCIAL.

Tarboro' Market.

REPORTED BY R. B. TEEL, DEALER IN DRY GOODS, GROCERIES, ETC., 245 STREET.

"**TARBORO', NOV. 6, 1887.**

Cotton—12 1/2 @ 13 cents per lb.

Corn—50 @ 55 cents per bushel.

Wheat—1 1/2 @ 1 3/4 cents per bushel.

Barley—1 1/2 @ 1 3/4 cents per bushel.

Oats—1 1/2 @ 1 3/4 cents per bushel.

FOCUS DEAD.—On yesterday the body of Lewis a colored man, formerly belonging to Wm. S. Battle, Esq., was found dead near the line of Rail Road, about half a mile from the Depot.

He left his home on Monday to go a gunning, and not returning, was searched for and found dead on yesterday, his gun lying by his side. There appeared no signs of violence about his person and it is presumed that he died of some sudden disease. An inquest was held over the body on yesterday who returned a verdict of "died of heart disease."

FATAL ACCIDENT.—We understand that a colored man, working on the Rail Road Bridge over the River near this place met his death very suddenly on yesterday.

While engaged at work he fell from the bridge, and in endeavoring to save himself caught hold of a piece of iron, which by some means, was inverted and pierced him through the body, causing almost instant death.

We have not learned the name of the unfortunate victim.

REPUBLICAN MEETING.—A large Republican meeting was held in this place at the Court House on Tuesday last, to select candidates to the approaching State Convention.

Illness prevented us from being on hand, to report the many sayings and doings, but we understand that little was effected, and that another meeting will be held to harmonize the different jarring elements.

We learn that the Wilmington and Weldon railroad company has negotiated a loan of \$500,000 in Baltimore upon the security of its seven per cent. bonds, running thirty years, the bonds being dated at eighty-five cents with interest added. The transaction is exceedingly favorable for the company, and will, no doubt, prove equally beneficial to the bondholders. Money enough is thus secured to enable the company to entirely repay the road with new iron, pay off its floating debt, and to declare a dividend. Its stock has appreciated rapidly within the past month, and we believe it will soon be no far below par value.

SURETY GUARANTEE.—As this is the season when surety is prevalent, we publish the following for the benefit of sufferers: Dissolve a small piece of alum in sage tea; then mix a little oil. Or two drachms of oak bark in six ounces of boiling water—use the liquid after it becomes cold.

"**THE WELLES VINEYARD.**"—This valuable property, in Halifax county, has been purchased by Messrs. Garrett and Co.—They gave for it 500 acres of land lying in Nash county, valued at \$24,000, and \$2,000 in money. The Welles property consists of 202 acres of land—21 of which are in vines, almost entirely Superiorm.

DURHAM'S—Our friend J. Hardy Williams has again laid on our table another paper of that Durham smoking tobacco, for which he will gladly accept our thanks. He has it for sale at his Store opposite this office.

CONTENTMENT ASSOCIATION.—The next annual meeting of this Association will be held with the Church at Pleasant Hill, Edgecombe County, on Friday before the second Saturday of October next.

SPEARMAN'S MEETING.—It will be seen by reference to our advertising columns that the Stockholders of the Wilmington and Weldon Railroad will hold their annual meeting in Wilmington on Wednesday the 13th inst.

A Marine Insurance Company has been organized, with headquarters at Northern. Daniel T. Caraway is President, and J. P. Dillingham, Secretary.

Special Attention is called to the advertisement of Lewis & Williams, announcing no sale, Saffron, Bacon, Whisky, &c., &c., at the lowest prices.

Captain Benjamin Smith, late of Anson county, N. C., died of yellow fever in Texas lately.

Governor Worth has appointed the 25th inst. as Thanksgiving Day.

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Hay—1 1/2 @ 1 3/4 cents per bushel.

Straw—1 1/2 @ 1 3/4 cents per bushel.

Grain—1 1/2 @ 1 3/4 cents per bushel.

PETERSBURG.

Important to All!

IT IS BETTER YOU WERE BORN lucky than rich. I was lucky enough

to be present at the New York Auction sales last, week, where goods were sold at a

Terrible Sacrifice,

in many cases 40 to 50 per cent below their real value, and in some cases for less than half what they sold for

I would say to all who will make their purchases at my store, they will receive this

FULL BENEFIT OF THE DECLINE.

Best Quality of Delaines, for 20c.

Good Fast Colored Prints, 10

and 12 1/2c.

Best Merrimack, Sprague, Pile

clothes and Americans, for 15c.

BEAUTIFUL

IMPORTED

DRESS GOODS

for 25c, 30c, 40c, and 50c, worth

double the money ten days ago. All

DRESS GOODS

on hand reduced accordingly.

Plain Zephyr

AND

WOOLEN SHAWLS

for less than half the price they sold

for ten days ago.

5,000 YARDS PANT GOODS,

slightly damaged, worth, if perfect,

75c. I will sell for 16 2/3c. per yard.

Only think, a pantaloons pattern for

50 cents.

WILMINGTON.

GEO. Z. FRENCH,

No. 10 South Front Street,

Wilmington, N. C.

Wholesale Dealer in

Groceries, Provisions, Wines,

Liquors, Cigars, Wood, Willow and

Common Grocery Ware.

Cotton and Naval Stores Bought or Re-

ceived on Consignment. Oct. 10-11-12

WILLIAMS & MURCHISON,

Wholesale Grocers and Commission

Merchants,

Wilmington, N. C.

Murchison & Co.,

COMMISSION MERCHANTS,

207 Pearl Street,

New York.

Oct. 10. 44-1m*

PARKER HOUSE,

FRONT STREET,

Wilmington, N. C.

H. V. PARKER, Proprietor.

THE PROPRIETOR OF THIS HOUSE

will spare no pains to make the stay

of his guests pleasant, and it is determined

that in no respect shall it be excelled by any

House in the South, and therefore feels con-

fident that he can give entire satisfaction to

all his patrons. Oct. 10-11

ROCKY MOUNT.

LOOK FOR US.

Bennett & de Silva's

COLUMN.

Rocky Mount advances with the Age.

WE SELL ALWAYS

AS LOW AS

NEW YORK PRICES,

AND OFTEN LOWER,

AS WE ARE KNOWN

AS THE

CHEAP STORE.

WE USE NO SIGNS.

WE ARE

LOOKING SHARP

FOR

GOOD CHEAP GOODS,

FOR

Fall & Winter Trade,

M. B. de SILVA,

IS THE AGENT OF

Bennett, Van Pelt & Co.,

OF NEW YORK.

He will make

LIBERAL ADVANCES

OF

Pork, Corn, Fodder, Bagging

and Rope, &c.,

TO THE

PLANTERS OF EDGEcombe CO.

BALTIMORE.

HARDY & BROTHERS,

(Formerly of Norfolk, Va.)

General Commission Merchants,

and dealers in No. 1 PERUVIAN GUANO,

and other FERTILIZERS.

No. 101 Smith's Wharf,

BALTIMORE, MD.

SPECIAL ATTENTION PAID TO

the sale of COTTON and other South-

ern Produce. Sept. 19. 41-3m

HENRY GWYNN, R. B. COTTEN,

of Baltimore. Late of Tarboro, N. C.

WALTER OWENS, JR.,

Late of South Carolina.

GWYNN, COTTEN & CO.,

COTTON FACTORS

General Commission Merchants,

105 West Lombard St.,

BALTIMORE.

LIBERAL ADVANCES MADE ON

Consignment. Orders for General Merchandise solicited.

Sept. 19. 41-3m

WARNER & BROS.,

WHOLESALE DEALERS IN

BOOTS AND SHOES,

No. 246 Baltimore St.,

Baltimore, Md.

December 2, 1887. 2-1f

PASSANO, MACRUDER & CO.,

PETERSBURG.

Office Petersburg Rail Road Co.,